FDA Study: COVID Vaccine Linked to Blood Clotting in Elderly

Researchers using a Harvard database found that preliminary evidence from the FDA's blood clotting in the brain — *over the initial threshold for a statistical signal to reliably detect and investigate* — was detected among the elderly given a shot of Moderna.

By The Epoch Times

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By Zachary Stieber

Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine has been linked to blood clotting in older individuals, according to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

FDA researchers, looking into the *potential incidence of elderly persons in the Medicare population* of blood clotting in the brain — blood clotting in the legs — and the initial threshold for a statistical signal to reliably detect and investigate, cited *mRNA-1273* — Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine.

Three other outcomes of interest — a lack of oxygen to the heart, a blood platelet disorder called immune thrombocytopenia and a condition called Guillain-Barré syndrome — were also found to be associated with the Pfizer vaccine.

More in-depth evaluations, such as comparing with vaccinations who received Moderna's vaccine, showed that there was no longer meeting the statistical threshold for a signal.

Researchers looked at data covering 13.4 million elderly Americans who received a total of 26.8 million vaccine doses between Dec. 15, 2020, and Jan. 31, 2021.

The study was published by the journal Vaccine on Dec. 1.

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